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SUBJECT: SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF GOVERNMENTAL EXPERTS TO EXAMINE
UNESCO DRAFT RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING EDUCATION FOR INTERNATIONAL
UNDERSTANDING, COOPERATION AND PEACE AND EDUCATION RELATING TO
HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, PARIS APRIL 29 - MAY 8,
1974

REF: PARIS 10893

1. ON MAY 8, 1974, SPECIAL COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY (WITHOUT ABSTENTION
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ADOPTED BOTH FINAL TEXT OF SUBJECT RECOMMENDATION AND COMMITTEE
REPORT (BOTH AIRPOUCHED TO IO/UNESCO). FOLLOWING CLOSING REMARKS
BY VARIOUS DELEGATIONS, SPECIAL COMMITTEE AD-OURNED.

2. PLENARY MADE NO SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES IN TEXT SUBMITTED TO IT
BY DRAFTING COMMITTEE. HOWEVER, IT DID COMPLY WITH A REQUEST
BY U.S. DELEGATION FOR INCLUSION IN THE DRAFT RECOMMENDATION
OF AN UNAMBIGUOUS FEDERAL-STATE CLAUSE BASED ON UNESCO RULES OF
PROCEDURE CONCERNING RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONVENTIONS, WHICH READS
AS FOLLOWS: "THE GENERAL CONFERENCE RECOMMENDS THAT MEMBER
STATES SHOULD APPLY THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS BY TAKING WHATEVER
LEGISLATIVE OR OTHER STEPS MAY BE REQUIRED -- IN CONFORMITY WITH
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THE CONSTITUTIONAL PRACTICES OF EACH SEATE -- TO GIVE EFFECT

WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE TERRITORIES TO THE PRINCIPLES SET
SET FORTH IN THIS RECOMMENDATION."

3. IN CLOSING REMARKS, U.S. DELEGATION (BUERGENTHAL) EXPRESSED
SATISFACTION WITH THE SPIRIT OF COOPERATION THAT CHARACTER
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WORK OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE. U.S. DELEGATION ALSO EMPHASIZED
THAT THE FINAL TEXT HAD BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVED BY THE SPECIAL
COMMITTEE, BOTH FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF FORM AND CONTENTS.
U.S. DELEGATION DID, HOWEVER, EXPRESS ITS REGRETS ABOUT FAILURE
OF SUBJECT RECOMMENDATION " TO GIVE GREATER PROMINENCE TO THE
PRINCIPLE OF FREEDOM OF INFORMATION WHICH IN OUR VIEW IS THE
SINE QUA NON OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION."

4. U.S. DELEGATION MEMBERS (BUERGENTHAL AND TORNEY) ARE RETURNING
TO THE U.S. MAY 9. THEY WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR DEBRIEFING IF
REQUIRED.

5. COMMENT: DEPUTY PERMREP BELIEVES BOTH BUERGENTHAL AND TORNEY
PERFORMED EXTREMELY WELL. EACH POSSESS QUALITIES ESSENTIAL FOR
SUCCESSFUL DELEGATION. THEY ARE NATURAL CANDIDATES FOR U.S.
DELEGATION TO 18 GENCONF AND WE HOPE THAT DEPT. WILL GIVE
SERIOUS CONSIDERATION IN THIS REGARD. END COMMENT.IRWIN

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